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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 550**

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**Introduced by Senator Florez  
(Coauthor: Senator Romero)**

February 27, 2009

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An act to add Section 3205.7 to the Public Resources Code, relating to natural resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 550, as amended, Florez. Natural resources: oil and gas: drilling. Existing law regulates oil and gas activities.

This bill would, commencing January 1, 2012, require the operator of an oil and gas well, ~~within 10 days of execution, to provide to the owner of surface rights written disclosure of any lease or agreement to drill, operate, maintain, or control a well between the operator and the~~

~~owner of subsurface or mineral rights to provide to the surface owner a 10-day written notice of the intent to enter the surface owner's property for the purpose of the extraction of underlying oil, gas, or minerals. The operator would also be required to provide to the surface owner a copy of the applicable recorded short form or memorandum of oil, gas, or minerals lease within 10 days prior to entering the property.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3205.7 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 ~~3205.7. (a) An operator shall provide to the owner of surface~~
- 4 ~~rights written disclosure of any lease or agreement to drill, operate,~~
- 5 ~~maintain, or control a well between the operator and the owner of~~
- 6 ~~subsurface or mineral rights within 10 days of the execution of the~~
- 7 ~~lease or agreement.~~
- 8 ~~(b) This section shall be inoperative until January 1, 2012, and~~
- 9 ~~on that date shall become operative.~~
- 10 3205.7. (a) *An operator shall provide to the surface owner a*
- 11 *10-day written notice of the intent to enter the surface owner's*
- 12 *property for the purpose of the extraction of underlying oil, gas,*
- 13 *or minerals. If all surface owners cannot be located or determined,*
- 14 *the operator shall provide notice by publication. In addition the*
- 15 *operator shall provide to the surface owner a copy of the*
- 16 *applicable recorded short form or memorandum of oil, gas, or*
- 17 *mineral lease within 10 days prior to entering the surface owner's*
- 18 *property for the purpose of the extraction of underlying oil, gas,*
- 19 *or minerals.*
- 20 (b) *This section shall become operative on January 1, 2012.*

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